

Applicant: Sumio Kawai
Application No.: 10/037,353

REMARKS

After the foregoing amendment, claims 1, 7, and 8 are currently pending in this application. The title of the application has been amended to state "Dust Removal Camera", because upon reviewing Applicant's March 15, 2005 Amendment, a typographical error was noted in the amendment to the title which inadvertently stated "Dust Removal Carrier."

In the June 2, 2005 Office Action, claims 1, 2, 4, 5, and 9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over JP 07-151946 (Akio) in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,441,796 (Shaw). The Examiner rejected claim 6 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, stating that claim 6 should properly depend from claim 1. Claims 6-8 were noted as being allowable if rewritten to overcome the § 112, second paragraph, rejection and to include all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims.

By way of this amendment, claims 2, 4-6, and 9 have been cancelled, without prejudice, claim 1 has been amended in accordance with the Examiner's remarks to include the limitations of claims 5 and 6, and claims 7 and 8 have been amended to depend from claim 1, as amended.


It is respectfully submitted that claims 1, 7, and 8 should be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

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If the Examiner believes that any additional minor formal matters need to be addressed in order to place this application in condition for allowance, or that a telephone interview will help to materially advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at the Examiner's convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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